

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Nemaha County,) Application No. 911-023.34
Auburn, seeking funding)
approval for recurring and non-)
recurring costs associated with) ORDER APPROVING FUNDING
Wireless E911 implementation.)
)
) Entered: September 30, 2008

BY THE COMMISSION:

By written request for funding received September 15, 2008, Nemaha County, Auburn, seeks funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund for expenses of implementing and providing enhanced wireless 911 service related to Alltel Wireless and US Cellular.

Nemaha County has one public safety answering point (PSAP), which will provide enhanced wireless 911 service throughout Nemaha County. The local exchange carrier serving Nemaha County's PSAP is Windstream.

Nemaha County entered into a service agreement with Windstream for enhanced wireless 911 equipment and services. A copy of the agreement has been provided. In the agreement, Nemaha County authorized the Commission to remit all payments for enhanced wireless 911 service to Windstream.

Nemaha County now seeks initial costs and recurring costs to implement and provide enhanced wireless 911 service for Alltel Wireless and US Cellular as outlined in Appendix A attached hereto. Initial costs are for database upgrades, trunking infrastructure and purchase, installation, and testing of circuits for enhanced wireless 911.

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

This request for funding is being processed pursuant to *Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 86-444 to 86-456 (2006 Cum. Supp.)*, 291 *Neb. Admin. Code*, Chapter 1, Section 5, and Progression Order No. 5 in Commission Docket No. 911-001, entered July 16, 2002.

Costs requested in the present funding request are eligible under *Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-86-465(2)(a) (2006 Cum. Supp.)*. All costs have been incurred or will be incurred for the purchase, installation, maintenance and operation of telecommunications

equipment and telecommunications services required for the provision of enhanced wireless 911 service.

Nemaha County has submitted a PSAP registration in compliance with Commission Docket 911-001.

Because Nemaha County authorized Windstream to receive all payments on its behalf for wireless enhanced 911, the Commission finds that payment should be made to Windstream consistent with the amounts set forth in Appendix A, once implementation is complete. Nemaha County shall notify the Commission, in writing, that implementation has been completed.

Based upon the request for funding and supporting documentation, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the request for funding should be granted.

Information set forth in Appendix A, shall be treated as proprietary and confidential.

The Commission further finds that Nemaha County is on notice and is aware that approval of this funding request is made with the understanding that it may be modified in the future, consistent with the permanent funding mechanism established pursuant to LB 1222 [2006].

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Nemaha County's request for funding shall be granted consistent with the terms set forth herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Commission shall remit to Windstream amounts that comport with Appendix A, attached hereto, once implementation is complete.

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that Nemaha County is on notice and is aware that approval of this funding request is made with the understanding that it may be modified in the future, consistent with the permanent funding mechanism established pursuant to LB 1222 [2006].

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 30th day of
September, 2008.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director